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For: Interleukin-1  $\beta$  Converting Enzyme Like  
Apoptosis Protease-3 and 4

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated August 13, 2002 (Paper No. 12), please consider the following amendments and remarks. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: (a) Fee Transmittal Sheet, with appropriate fee; (b) Exhibits A-C; (c) a Version With Markings To Show Changes Made; (d) a Substitute Sequence Listing in printed and computer-readable forms; (e) a Statement Under 37 U.S.C. § 1.825; and (f) duplicate copies of references AA and AB of the Information Disclosure Statement filed November 1, 2001.

**AMENDMENT**

Please amend the application as follows.

***In the Specification:***

Please replace the first paragraph on page 1 with the following paragraph.

**E1**  
This application is a divisional of Application No. 08/462,969, filed June 5, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 6,087,150, granted July 11, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of Application